

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Tommy B. Strowd, Division Director, Operations, Maintenance & Construction Division

DATE: May 10, 2012

SUBJECT: **Contract Number 4600002656; C-41A Canal Bank Stabilization Segment 3, Highlands County, Florida**

Background:

The C-41A canal is located north of Lake Okeechobee in Highlands County. The canal bank suffered extensive erosion during Hurricane Wilma in October, 2005. This contract involves the third and final segment to repair and stabilize the C41A canal, from S-68 at Lake Istokpoga to structure S-83, or approximately 12.61 miles of canal bank. The canal bank repairs include removing existing vegetation, backfilling and compacting the banks, sodding, installing Turf Reinforcement Mats, rip-rap slope stabilization, and berm drains.

How this helps meet the District's 10-Year Strategic Plan:

This project is an integral component in the District's 10-year Strategic Plan to refurbish the infrastructure.

Funding Source:

The lowest responsive and responsible bidder is Dickerson Florida, Inc., with a total amount of \$8,917,000.00, for which ad valorem funds from the Operations & Maintenance Capital Program of \$1,336,507.00 are budgeted; and the remainder is subject to Governing Board approval of the FY13 budget

This Board item impacts what areas of the District, both resource areas and geography:

This item impacts the Operations & Maintenance Resource Area of the District in Highlands County.

What concerns could this Board item raise?

This contract followed the District's standard procurement procedures. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder has been recommended.

Why should the Governing Board approve this item?

The Canal Bank Stabilization must be pursued expeditiously in order to enhance the District's long term ability to respond to storm events, improve operational efficiency and enhance a key component of the District's flood control system.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at extension 6998.